

SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY
BILL)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the issuance of an annual prescribing
2 practitioner activity report to prescribing practitioners.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 124.553, subsection 1, Code 2018, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* A prescribing practitioner for the
4 issuance of a required report pursuant to section 124.554,
5 subsection 3.

6 Sec. 2. Section 124.554, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended
7 by adding the following new paragraph:

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. *j.* The issuance annually of a prescribing
9 practitioner activity report compiled from information from the
10 program pursuant to subsection 3.

11 Sec. 3. Section 124.554, Code 2018, is amended by adding the
12 following new subsection:

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. *a.* Beginning February 1, 2019, and
14 annually by February 1 thereafter, the board shall issue each
15 prescribing practitioner who prescribed a controlled substance
16 reported to the program as dispensed in the preceding calendar
17 year in this state a prescribing practitioner activity report
18 which shall include but not be limited to the following:

19 (1) A cover letter.

20 (2) A summary of the prescribing practitioner's history of
21 prescribing controlled substances.

22 (3) A comparison of the prescribing practitioner's history
23 of prescribing controlled substances with the history of other
24 prescribing practitioners of the same profession or specialty.

25 (4) The prescribing practitioner's history of program use.

26 (5) General patient risk factors.

27 (6) Educational updates.

28 (7) Other pertinent information identified by the board and
29 advisory council by rule.

30 *b.* Information provided to a prescribing practitioner
31 in a report required under this subsection shall be kept
32 confidential pursuant to section 124.553, subsection 3.

33 Sec. 4. Section 124.556, Code 2018, is amended to read as
34 follows:

35 **124.556 Education and treatment.**

1 The program for drug prescribing and dispensing shall
2 include education initiatives and outreach to consumers,
3 prescribing practitioners, and pharmacists, and shall also
4 include assistance for identifying substance abuse treatment
5 programs and providers. The program shall also include
6 educational updates and information on general patient risk
7 factors for prescribing practitioners. The board and advisory
8 council shall adopt rules, as provided under section 124.554,
9 to implement this section.

10	EXPLANATION
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11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill requires the board of pharmacy and the advisory
14 council to promulgate rules allowing the annual issuance of
15 confidential activity reports to prescribing practitioners who
16 prescribe any controlled substances. The reports would include
17 information from the information program for drug prescribing
18 and dispensing, known as the Iowa prescription monitoring
19 program (PMP), including a summary of the prescribing
20 practitioner's history of prescribing controlled substances,
21 comparisons to other prescribing practitioners of the same
22 profession and specialty, the prescribing practitioner's
23 history of program use, general patient risk factors,
24 educational updates, and other pertinent information. The bill
25 amends Code section 124.553 to allow the board to disclose
26 such information when issuing annual activity reports. The
27 bill also requires the board to include information on general
28 patient risk factors and educational updates in the PMP.